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SUBJECT: ECOSOC WORKING GROUP ON CORRUPT PRACTICES

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1. THE USG INTENDS TO PROPOSE TO THE ECOSOC NOW MEETING
IN GENEVA THE DRAFT RESOLUTION SET FORTH BELOW PROPOSING A
DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE TO ADOPT AN AGREEMENT ON ILLICIT
PAYMENTS. POSTS IN COUNTRIES PRESENTLY PARTICIPATING IN
ECOSOC WILL RECEIVE INSTRUCTIONS BY SEPTEL. FRENCH AND
SPANISH TRANSLATIONS ARE BEING PREPARED.

2. "THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
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RECALLING GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3514 (XXX) OF 15
DECEMBER 1975, WHICH INTER ALIA, CONDEMNED ALL CORRUPT
PRACTICES, INCLUDING BRIBERY BY TRANSNATIONAL AND OTHER
CORPORATIONS, INTERMEDIARIES AND OTHERS INVOLVED, IN
VIOLATION OF THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE HOST
COUNTRIES, AND CALLED UPON ALL GOVERNMENTS TO TAKE

MEASURES TO PREVENT SUCH CORRUPT PRACTICES, TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION, TO COOPERATE WITH GOVERNMENTS OF THE HOST

COUNTRIES TO PREVENT SUCH CORRUPT PRACTICES, AND TO PROSECUTE WITHIN THEIR NATIONAL JURISDICTIONS THOSE WHO ENGAGE IN SUCH ACTS;

RECALLING RESOLUTION 2041 OF THE COUNCIL, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE AD HOC INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP ON THE PROBLEM OF CORRUPT PRACTICES;

RECALLING RESOLUTION 2122 OF THE COUNCIL WHICH CONTINUED THE AD HOC INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP AND DIRECTED IT TO DRAFT AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS;

NOTING THAT THE COMMISSION ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS AT ITS FOURTH SESSION IN VIENNA ENDORSED THE WORK OF THE WORKING GROUP;

CONSIDERING THAT THE WORKING GROUP HAS PREPARED DRAFT ARTICLES THAT CAN SERVE AS THE BASIS FOR NEGOTIATING A TREATY ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS AND RECOMMENDS THAT THE COUNCIL RE-EXAMINE THE QUESTION OF CONVENING A CONFERENCE OF PLENIPOTENTIARIES TO CONCLUDE AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT WITH A VIEW TO SETTING AN EARLY DATE FOR THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONFERENCE AND ESTABLISHING A COMMITTEE TO MAKE PREPARATIONS FOR THE CONFERENCE.

1. DECIDES TO CONVENE A CONFERENCE OF PLENIPOTENTIARIES OF ALL INTERESTED STATES IN 1979 IN NEW YORK OR ANY OTHER SUITABLE PLACE FOR WHICH THE SECRETARY GENERAL MAY RECEIVE AN INVITATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING A CONVENTION ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS.

2. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO INVITE ALL STATES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONFERENCE.

3. DECIDES TO ESTABLISH A COMMITTEE OPEN TO ALL INTERESTED STATES TO MAKE PREPARATIONS FOR THE CONFERENCE OF PLENIPOTENTIARIES.

4. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO MAKE ADEQUATE PROVISIONS FOR THE NECESSARY MEETINGS OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE." VANCE

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